



May 3rd, 2004

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Superfund Division
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Overnight Mail

Re: Sauget Sites Area I - January 21, 1999 Administrative Order by Consent (AOC) DNAPL Study - Sauget Area 1, Sauget, Illinois

Dear Nabil:

Solutia and Pharmacia request a schedule extension for the Sauget Area 1 DNAPL Study being conducted under the above referenced Order. We request the completion date to be October 29th, 2004.

The contract for the Sauget Area 1 DNAPL study has now been issued and work is currently underway. The property access issues (with the exception of Rogers Cartage Company) have been resolved. We understand that EPA will issue Rogers Cartage Company an order requiring them to provide access if they continue to refuse to provide such access voluntarily.

We propose the same six month schedule previously proposed and approved by the EPA during December 2003. This schedule, with actual interim target dates added, is as follows:

		Start	Completed
Task 1	Project Startup and Contractor Scheduling	May 3	May 14
Task 2	NAPL Survey and Recovery Tests	May 10	May 28
Task 3	Seismic Survey (Earliest date on contractor's schedule)	June 7	Jun 25
	Seismic Survey Interpretation	Jun 25	Aug 13
Task 4	DNAPL Borings/Piezometers		
	Source Areas Bedrock Topographic Lows	June 14 Aug 16	Jul 9 Aug 20
Task 5	NAPL Recovery Tests		
	Source Areas Bedrock Topographic Lows	July 12 Aug 23	Jul 23 Aug 27
Task 6	Treatability Tests	July 26	Aug 20
Task 7	DNAPL Source Depletion Evaluation	Aug 23	Sep 17
Task 8	Remedial Alternatives Evaluation	Sep 6	Oct 1
Task 9	Report	Aug 23	Oct 29

Much of this work is sequential, with the substantial completion of Task 2 being required before one can start on Task 3, etc. Any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith

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